

REMARKS

In view of the above amendments and following remarks, reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Initially, a replacement formal drawing has been provided for Fig. 2 so as to identify arrow "321" in this figure.

The specification and abstract have been reviewed and revised to make editorial changes thereto and generally improve the form thereof, and a substitute specification and abstract are provided. No new matter has been added by the substitute specification and abstract.

Claims 1-9 have been canceled and claims 10-29 have been added. New claims 10-29 have been drafted taking into account the 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, issues raised by the Examiner, are believed to be free of these issues, and are otherwise believed to be in compliance with 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

The instant invention pertains to a movable personal computer using system for use in a motor vehicle. With reference to Figs. 2 and 3, for example, the movable personal computer using system comprises a PC holder 31, and a virtual image displaying device including a mirror member 33 for reflecting an image that is on a display screen 410 of a movable personal computer 4, when held by the PC holder. New claim 10 is believed to be representative of Applicant's inventive movable personal computer using system.

Claims 1-3, 5 and 8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Morgan et al.; and claims 4, 6, 7 and 9 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Morgan et al. These rejections are respectfully traversed, and Morgan et al. is not applicable with regard to the newly added claims for the following reasons.

In supporting the rejection of the claims, the Examiner equated element "18" of Morgan et al. to the claimed PC holder; however, "18" is not a PC holder, but is rather a user interface device featuring a touch-sensitive screen console or "touch screen" (col. 4, lines 17-24). This user interface device 18 is attached to a PC holder, not shown, arranged inside an instrument panel. The user interface device 18 is not a movable personal computer and electrically displays an image on a screen 19 of the user interface device 18, not on a screen of a movable personal

computer. The system of Morgan et al. is equipped with a movable personal computer 44 (a pen-based portable computer or a hand-held unit; see col. 6, lines 21-34 and Fig.1) in addition to the user interface device 18. The movable personal computer 44 is associated with vehicle 12, and is not attached to the PC holder arranged inside the instrument panel.

The system of Morgan et al. requires both the user interface device 18 and the movable personal computer 44; however, the system of claim 10 does not require a user interface device of the type disclosed by Morgan et al. In this regard, the movable personal computer to be held by the PC holder can also function as a user interface device when it is attached to the PC holder.

Furthermore, the user interface device 18 of Morgan et al. is different from the virtual image displaying device as recited in claim 10. In this regard, the virtual image displaying device is for generating a reflected virtual image optically, not electrically. To make this distinction more clear, claim 10 recites

a virtual image displaying device including a *mirror member* for reflecting an image that is on a display screen of the movable personal computer, when the movable personal computer is held by said PC holder

The system of Morgan et al. does not have a mirror member, and accordingly, cannot reflect an image as required by claim 10.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that claim 10 is not anticipated by Morgan et al., whereby claims 10-29 are allowable.

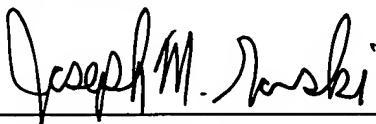
Additionally, claim 11 is believed to be patentable in its own right. In this regard, claim 11 recites that the mirror member is smaller in area than a display area of the display screen, and thus requires a **mirror member moving mechanism** for moving the mirror member over the display screen of the personal computer such that different portions of an image on the display screen can be respectively reflected by the mirror member. Morgan et al. does not include such a mirror member moving mechanism, and accordingly, claim 11 is patentable in its own right.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

If after reviewing this Amendment, the Examiner believes that any issues remain which must be resolved before the application can be passed to issue, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative by telephone to resolve such issues.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

A replacement formal drawing for Fig. 2 has been filed concurrently.